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Mr. Bryan's Faulty History.

Since the return of Mr. William Jennings Bryan from Mexico he has been making some speeches which show that his trip in that silver-using country has not improved his knowledge of the cause of which he poses as a leader, nor his familiarity with the financial history of his own country. On the contrary his fallacies seem to be more inexcusable than ever, and were it not that the situation involving the danger of a renewed agitation for cheap money and other evils declared for in the Chicago platform, on which he was nominated in 1896, is so serious, they would be amusing in the highest degree. His Jackson Day speech, delivered in Chicago, has already brought from the press of the country a great deal of ridicule on account of the absurdities it contained, and but for the fact that Mr. Bryan is regarded generally as totally lacking of a sense of humor, it might be thought by some that he really meant to be humorous.

The Intelligencer has heretofore called attention to two or three startlingly ridiculous propositions that were laid down in Mr. Hanna's Jackson Day speech—startling because they are the utterances of a man who aspires to be President of the United States. The American Wool and Cotton Reporter notes still another of the silver leader's astonishing assertions. In speaking of Jackson, Mr. Bryan said: "Arrayed against him were the very classes which have forced a continuance of the gold standard in the United States." The Reporter regards this as a serious thing to say about Andrew Jackson, because it places him in the absurd position of being arrayed against himself.

This statement is true, for every student of the financial history of the country knows that the law which drove silver out of circulation, was passed by Congress on June 23, 1834, while Jackson was President, and became a law with his sanction, after being advocated by his supporters. The act in question changed the ratio of silver to gold from 15 to 1 to 16 to 1. Silver at once retired from circulation and remained out until the resumption of specie payments in 1875, by Sherman, five years after the alleged "crime of '73," which is said to have stricken down silver, notwithstanding the historical fact that no silver dollars had been in circulation since Jackson's time. The astonishing thing is that a man who aspires to be President of the United States, on the strength of his supposed knowledge of the finances of the country, should array Jackson against the gold bugs, and go to the expense of truthfulness to do so.

The above is but one sample of Mr. Bryan's ignorance of the financial history of his country, exhibiting his unfittedness to be the leader of a party, whose record up to the time he and other Populists captured its organization at Chicago, was for sound money. In another portion of this same Jackson Day speech this blind leader who is leading the blind, said that "Secretary Gage knew that the gold standard was adopted in the United States without any party ever asking for it."

This incorrect assertion is not wholly original with Mr. Bryan. It has been made frequently by other statesmen of the Popocratic persuasion, who are unfamiliar with the historical record of the Democratic party before it fell into the hands of the latter day school of financiers who know nothing of finances. In Mr. Bryan's case, however, the remark is inexcusable, since he was delivering an oration on Andrew Jackson, and having assumed the position of a public instructor, should have posted himself on the history of the administration of that sturdy and patriotic Democrat. Thomas H. Benton, one of the greatest Democrats of his day, was one of Jackson's supporters in the senate, and in 1824, while Jackson was President, Benton, in a speech on the law of 1791, said:

"The false valuation put upon gold has rendered the mint of the United States, so far as gold coinage is concerned, a most ridiculous and absurd institution. It has coined, and that at a large expense to the United States, 2,522,177 pieces of gold, worth \$1,322,598, and where are all the pieces now? Not one of them to be seen! All sold and exported! and so regular is the operation that the director of the mint, in his latest report to Congress, says that the new-coined gold frequently remains in the mint, uncalled for, though ready for delivery, until the day arrives for a packet to sail to Europe. He calculates that two millions of native gold will be coined hereafter, the whole of which, without a reform of the gold standard, will be constructed, like exiles, from the national mint to the seashore, and transported to foreign countries."

The law of 1791, which Benton was ridiculing, and which was responsible for the state of affairs produced by the false valuation referred to, was a bimetallic law. His remarks indicate that one of the greatest Democrats of Jackson's day was a wicked "gold bug," as was Jackson himself. Official records show also that Jackson's superintendent of the mint was holding up to ridicule this

bimetallic law that fixed an unequal ratio, even less unequal than the one Mr. Bryan now proposes.

In view of all these circumstances we are forced to agree with the Wool and Cotton Reporter, in its comments on the startling assertions of Mr. Bryan, that while there is no desire to believe that he intentionally misstates the facts of history, he lays himself open to the charge of being "the most ignorant man who has ever presumed to address the American people on great subjects."

An Organ and Senator Faulkner
Col. McGraw's organ at Charleston, the Daily Gazette, addresses a few congratulatory remarks to Senator Faulkner on the "great victory he won at Washington, in defeating his re-election, as chairman of the Democratic congressional committee." The Intelligencer cannot refrain from reproducing what the colonel's organ has to say by way of extolling the senator's modesty and unselfishness, and his remarkable devotion to the cause of Bryan and free silver in 1896.

As the Intelligencer has remarked heretofore, it has no personal interest in Senator Faulkner's political fortunes, nor in the fortunes of his very ardent and devoted friends and supporters, Colonel McGraw and the Charleston Democratic organ; but since the Silver Democratic organ here in Wheeling fails to post its readers concerning the progress of the mutual admiration society which has been formed by the free silver Popocracy and the "conservative element," represented by Senator Faulkner, we feel it a public duty to see that the large number of Democratic readers of the Intelligencer are not kept in ignorance of the manner in which the two wings of the party are flapping together.

Our Democratic friends subscribe for the Intelligencer for information, and we are determined that they shall have it, even at the risk of injuring the chances of our own party by depicting the peace and harmony and fraternal good will between the two wings of the Democracy, and by illustrating the tender regard for Senator Faulkner among the Bryanites of the state with the following editorial extract from Colonel McGraw's Charleston organ:

Senator Faulkner's chief characteristics are modesty and unselfishness. It is well known that he rarely thinks of himself, and that his chief joy in life is to devote a portion of his intellect to devising ways and means to serve his fellow man. His all pervading modesty, too, has ever been in his way. If he would only acknowledge his real worth, or permit his friends to declare it, the people would have to devote at least one-third of their time to an effort to admire the tranquillity, the beauty, the impulsive tenderness, and the soothing sweetness of his character. It goes without saying, of course, that if Senator Faulkner could serve as chairman of the congressional committee in a meek and unobtrusive way—if he could devote his great intellect to the service of his party without attracting the public notice—that he would cheerfully, willingly, and with sanguine spirit, assume the cares and responsibilities of the place. But the senator's unconquerable aversion to notoriety, his intense hatred of the sight of his name in print, his dislike of the prominence, and the publicity, and the glare of conspicuous position, impelled him to deny his election and valuable services to his party in the present emergency.

It is but natural, of course, that the Democrats of Congress should make extraordinary efforts to secure Senator Faulkner's services. They have had experience with him heretofore. He conducted the congressional campaigns of 1894 and 1895, and the halo of his achievements is still fluttering. It is no wonder, then, that he should be pursued with ardor, to take command again, but the heroic self-abnegation of the senator is superior to transitory ambition. Notwithstanding the senator's terrible aversion to seeing his name in print, he yielded to the earnest solicitation of a re-election to the chairmanship of the committee, and again declared that he was not a candidate for the chairmanship and never, no, never, would accept under any circumstances. It is true that some of the extreme advocates of free coinage, some of those doctrinaires with consciences, accused the senator of hobnobbing with Richard Croker, of Tammany hall, in the interest of a re-election to the chairmanship of the committee, but this is doubtless one of the idle tales that ever perpetuate really great men.

The senator won the greatest victory of his life in fighting off the pressure that was brought to bear upon him to again manage the Democratic campaign. It is true, David D. Hill, with the nasty habit of phrase-making, characterized the senator once upon a time described Senator Faulkner as "active, but not effective." It is safe to say, however, that Hill was jealous of the senator and of his great reputation as a campaign manager. It is equally certain that if the Democrats of Congress were not more expectant of victory than interest in a re-election to the chairmanship, they would insist on Senator Faulkner's again taking the chairmanship of the campaign committee.

The Intelligencer's Democratic readers will at once note the significance to be attached to this eloquent and doubtless sincere tribute to Senator Faulkner, when they consider that it comes from the organ of the Democracy at the state capital, which speaks from its very heart whenever Colonel McGraw, West Virginia's member of the national Democratic committee, touches the button. It all goes to confirm (?) the Wheeling Register's assurances that the Democracy of this state is firmly united! It also is a practical demonstration of how pleasant it is when brethren (Popocratic brethren) are dwelling together in unity.

The esteemed Register wants to know why the cotton manufacturing industry is prospering in Mexico while a strike against reduced wages is on in New England. The Register intends it to be inferred that the silver standard in Mexico is the cause. Perhaps, since the wage question is directly involved in the situation, the Register will answer its own question by publishing a schedule of the wages received by the cotton spinners in silver Mexico, and compare them with the cotton spinners' wages, even after the cut, in New England, and also give the comparative cost of the necessities of life. The effort to make capital for free silver out of the strike of the cotton spinners is the rankest demagoguery ever perpetrated in political history.

Events for January, issued Saturday, maintains the standard it has established for itself. Events is winning its way and has already become a fixture among Wheeling's journalistic and literary institutions. In all respects it is worthy of the support and encouragement of the public, since it caters to the most refined tastes of the community. Not the least of the many attractive features is the department work by Miss Pollack, which exhibits great care and discrimination, as well as marked literary ability. The new title page is the work of an artist.

The miners at the national conference with the operators, at Chicago, won a distinct victory in being granted the eight hour demand, and the prospects are bright that they may be granted the wage advance asked for. The tendency toward a peaceful settlement of differences between miners and operators will

be gratifying to the public, and will clear away considerable of the doubt that has existed concerning the coal industry.

"All the world loves a lover," and when the lover happens to be a man whose words spoken each week are read throughout this great Union, and whose very name is a household word in the homes of the country, there is more than ordinary interest taken in him. The marriage of Dr. T. DeWitt Talmage to Mrs. Eleanor Collier, of Allegheny City, was a surprise, but that fact will not lessen the number nor the enthusiasm of the congratulations that will be extended to the distinguished divine and his bride from every part of the country.

A Populist newspaper with 100 editors is the latest enterprise proposed in Chicago. If Chicago can stand the affliction we presume the remainder of the country can, but we cannot help expressing sympathy for the windy city just the same. When that bewhiskered editorial combination gets together the lake breezes are likely to be so overworked as to be unable to perform their legitimate duty of keeping the flies off of the sleeping policemen.

The appointments of Mr. Griggs to succeed Judge McKenna as attorney general in the President's cabinet was followed by immediate confirmation by the senate. The new attorney general brings to the office great legal ability and high character and will add strength to the cabinet. The President has exhibited splendid judgment in calling this eminent lawyer and upright citizen to this important position.

Few times in the recent history of the city has a more prolonged or fear-inspiring wind-storm visited this community than that which began early Sunday morning, and continued through the greater part of the day. While this is true, fortunately not a great amount of serious damage was done, for which everybody is duly grateful.

The war feeling is growing in England and the worst of the crisis has not yet been reached. History is being made very rapidly in the Old World these days, while on this side of the water a crisis in the Cuban situation indicates that the orient is not likely to furnish all the interest in the next few months.

We trust the Washington Post has no "reference to allusions" when it says, speaking of Cassius M. Clay's troubles, that the child wife business is as much of a nuisance as the boy orator industry.

"Significant Moves" is the headline over a contemporary's news of the Chinese complication. Come to think of it, the performance does somewhat resemble a game of chess.

Governor Pingree declares he doesn't like the Republican party as well as he used to like it. Never mind, Pingree; don't worry about it. The feeling is reciprocated heartily.

WHAT THE BACHELOR SAYS.

One of the first signs parents have that their girls are growing up is when they begin to keep their bedroom doors locked at night.

Women always cry at a wedding—the married ones because they know how it is themselves and the unmarried ones because they don't.

When a married man wants to have some clothes mended he makes out a memorandum of them and leaves it around his desk marked "private."

You can generally tell whether a girl thinks a lot of you or not by whether she asks if it is an antique before she says it is too perfectly sweet.

Women never talk to each other about their husbands without each one insinuating that she knows another woman who is trying her best to flirt with hers.—New York Press.

Alaska Gold Fields.

Are you contemplating going to the Alaskan gold fields? If you have any thought of that kind the best information you can gain on the subject can be obtained from a brochure issued by the Chicago & Northwestern Railway Co., entitled "Alaska Gold Fields and How to Reach Them." Even if you have no idea of going to the far north, the pamphlet will inform you on all the salient points and characteristics that you will care to know, so that you can understand the dispatches from that graceful, attractive style descriptive of the features of Alaska, facts and statistics, the mining conditions, the climate, the mining laws of the United States and Canada; tells you what to take with you, describes the easiest and most practicable routes to the gold fields, rates of fare, in fact everything that is desirable for a traveler and pilgrim to be informed upon. Besides an elegant outline map, engraved from the latest official sources, spreads the whole scene before your eyes. Upon application to W. B. Kniskern, general passenger and ticket agent of the Chicago & Northwestern Railway Company, at Chicago, Ill., this artistic folder will be mailed to any reader of the Intelligencer.

Noblesse Oblige.

The Devil and I
Were once of each other,
Fonder by far
Than brother and brother.
He couldn't have told why he loved me,
And I loved him for his devility.

The Devil and I

We cut the tether;
Nevermore do we chum together.
He never once day at my kin and kith;
I called sweet Lilla a solar myth.

The Devil and I

Neither cared aught
For the scold or the slander.
But I vowed that my name was dearer
Than his life.
And he swore he'd forgive no fling at his wife.
—POST WHEELER.

Congressional Confidence.

We may annex Hawaii
And we may protect the seals;
And settle the disturbance
That the Cuban exile reveals.
We may regulate the tariff
Till our needs it closely fills;
And certainly we'll pass a few
Appropriation bills.

One can't of course accomplish
All that he may desire.
Hawaii, Cuba and finance
May possibly have fire.
But, none the less, we're happy
And hope each being thrills.
We'll surely point with pride to those
Appropriation bills.
—Washington Star.

The Cuban Scare.

Although the diplomatic entanglement with Spain over Cuba is to some extent influencing the stock market, Wall street expects no serious complications. Nevertheless serious complications with other malaises may be expected to follow an attack of biliousness, which is not checked at the outset. The most effectual means to this end is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, an admirable remedy, moreover, for dyspepsia, malaria, kidney trouble, constipation and nervousness.

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A VOICE FROM PRESTON

On Hon. John W. Mason's Scheme for Choosing a Senator.

To the Editor of the Intelligencer.

SIR:—Since the appearance of an article in your columns of the 13th inst., from the Hon. John W. Mason, in which he recommends the calling of a convention to nominate or indicate to the members of the next legislature who our senator should be, the writer has had opportunity to get the opinion of many stalwart Republicans of the banner county in regard to the merits and demerits of such a proceeding. While the Republicans of Preston have heretofore stood firmly by John W. Mason, regarding his opinions from a standpoint of political economy (as a rule) to be well taken, they are not ready to take hold of his conventional theory.

While Mr. Mason and others advocate the measure on the ground that it is setting nearer the people, many others oppose it on the ground that it will take the choosing of a senator entirely out of reach of the masses and put it into the hands of the bosses. Let this be as it may, -- is believed by the Republicans of this section to be a dangerous undertaking, especially at this time in the history of our party, when a little friction and bickering might result in the loss of the legislature. While we admire the ambitious and courageous leaders, we are not just ready to accept every measure that may be advanced by them in their struggles for political supremacy. In other words, we don't want any factions or any quarrels at this time.

The first thing we want to do is to put our shoulders to the Republican wheel and elect the ablest and best Republicans that can be produced in every county in the state where we have a ghost of a show to the legislature, and likewise from the senatorial districts.

If Mr. A., Mr. B. and Mr. C., have aspirations for the United States senate, they have ample opportunity to present themselves before the people of every county and every senatorial district in the state. All they need to do to get a fair expression from the people is to name candidates for the legislature and senate who will support them if elected.

There is only one way that candidates for the United States senate can get nearer the people, and that is an amendment to the constitution providing for the election of senators by a direct vote of the people. Party organization is all right. No party can succeed without it, but I want to say right here that there is a vast difference between party organization and party dictation.

The people are the foundation of all true government and any attempt on the part of leaders to thwart their franchise should not be tolerated in any party. The man who fears the verdict of his people should not presume to ask office at their hands.

LERON SHAW.

Kingwood, W. Va., Jan. 22, 1898.

Devils Definition.

Countess—A game cashier.

Love—A female the result of which is often a tie.

Humbug—A bug that always preys upon the unwary.

A-las!—The favorite interjection of the love-lorn youth.

Cheek—Something a man has a great deal of when it covers an archer.

Clove—An article used in the manufacture of a counterfeit breath.

Splinter—Either a boy with a top or an elderly unmarried lady.

Bachelor—A traveler on life's railway who has missed his connections.

Philosophy—Something that enables a rich man to say that it's no disgrace to be poor.—Chicago News.

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